#### JEAN ELIOTS LETTER'

getting short, hency, until you will be wending your way Southward, and how I am ounting the days It seems outrageous hat so many months should go by ut-well, the wait is nearly over now believe mother is almost as thrilled er your coming as she is over the essibility of John's return, and you now how much that is. It seems now hat he will not be able to get away refore Thanksgiving, but I suppose the Now for the news. Edith Gracie Now for the news. Edith Gracie, who has been visiting the Baroness Grassenried, on Long Island, is back for the winter, and has two attractive cirls visiting her. Miss Moffett and Miss Potter. They have all gone off for the week-end on a house party, but I hear they both left a trail of broken hearts, even after a few days stay.

It seems as though Washington might turned over to Southern society this october to an extent not seen since the Elections are the There being but one party in the South, the fight is over with the primaries; Southern Senators and members of Congress can afford to stick to their jobs and let the campaigns look after them-selves. It is far otherwise, however, with folk from the North and West. Their fences are, many of them, sadly in need of mending, and the demand for personal attention to their campaigns is insistent. Mrs. Britton and Mrs. Bor-land are two prominent women whose husbands are trying to get home and who will go with them to help the cause-long. Mrs. Thomas has already accom-panied Senator Thomas to Colorado. Mrs. Murdock and Marcia are in Kan-sas helping the Hon. Victor Murdock in his race for the Senatorship. The Camp-

relis are going home just as soon as hey can get away. Mrs. Cummins is now in Iowa, mayhap joing a little campaigning for the Sena-or on the side. Throughout Iowa there a very strong idea that Senator Cummins should some day be President of he United States, and I understand that me thing back of it is the feeling in-trained in the minds of most of the

people of the State that Mra Cummins the one woman best fitted to be mis-ress of the White House.

Mrs. Hoke Smith and Mrs. Fletcher, in the other hand, belong to the happy ement whose worrying is all Mrs. Smith plans a trip home this fall, but it is just for the pleasure of going home, and Mrs. Fletcher says you ouldn't drive her out of Washington. She is naturally much interested in the new Congressional Club building, which a nearing completion. Mrs. Pletcher spent the summer in Ireland, somewhere on the Irish Sea, and gives a glowing

The middles are back at Annapolls after their summer cruise, and they have takes to tell of a more stirring trip than any made by midshipmen in recent years.

The giant Missouri and Illinois, with the officers-to-be aboard, were in the harbor at Gravesend, England, on the day when war was declared between England and Germany, on August 28, and the men received a cable rom President Wilson cautioning them to the R street house, but they have made no definite plans as yet.

Dorothy McCombs is still with the the country. So are Col, and Mrs. Williams and Francise. Their house is being remodeled, and they are enjoying the family reunion after such a long separation. Colonel Cottgrave, of the British army, who made part of the trip around the world with them, is also a house guest, and altogether it is also a house guest, and altogether it is also a house fare contemplating a visit to white Sulphur Springs before returning to the R street house, but they have made no definite plans as yet.

Jack Belt has been having the most of the prince Hermann Hatzfeldt-Wilden-burs, who is so well known in this country, having been secretary of the German embassy for some time, and charge d'affaires during the time that clapsed between the death of Baron Speck von Sternberg and the arrival of the present ambassador. The latter, moreover, is half American and has a helf American wife, the former Marie von Stumm, whose father, Baron Ferdinand von Stumm, whose father, B

of the war ships reported to be spread across the Atlantic. They did speak the German cruiser Bremen, but received to answer, and, just before entering American waters the vessel sighted an Engineering Company of the company of the

Miltonberger are back in lengthy visit in New York. their passports. They were obliged to leave all their belongings, even to their scuvenirs. family pictures, heirlooms, and the like, behind them. Indeed, the princess considered herself fortunate in being able to carry away her jewels. When, with considerable difficulty, they finally got to Berlin, the prince received orders to leave at a few hours notice for the United States; the train by which he and the princess were onliged to travel was so crowded with fugitives bound for Rotterdam, that it was impossible to dream of taking any Did I ever send you

school before translating from Hotn Arma, but expects this winter to
the up a music course at Peabody Intute, with the idea of graduating
om there later. She is a very talented
ung person and mighty pretty, teo.

But was impossible to dream of taking any
baggage, even if they could have found
time to buy ever so elementary an outfit, so they decided to wait until their
arrival in New York.

Prince Hermann Hatzfeldt-Trachen-



MRS. WILLIAM S. McCOMBS.

future Duke of Trachenbers, arrived in co. as private secretary to John It. New York with the princess the other Silliman, the vice and deputy consul at

Then Prince Hermann Hatzfeldt, the

completed the furnishing of their new house and had lived there exactly forty-eight hours when they were handed their passports. They were obliged to

Jack Belt has been having the most

interesting time lately. He is in Mexi-

It is curious how every day or two

you hear something that gives you a

different angle on the extent and vari-

ety of the suffering that is being

caused by this miserable war business.

Mrs. Tom Taliaffero read me letters that she had received from a friend of hers, who lives in the north of Scotland. They almost made me cry with the picture they presented of the utter destitution that exists among the fisher folk of that section.

# A Chronicle of Society

detely out of business. In the first place, the seas are not safe from fly-by-night attacks by torpedo boats and the like mosquito craft, then most of the men have gone to the front, and deep-sea fishing is not in occupation than can be turned over to the women

starving, their onl. support being the neip that the sentry of the country manage to give them and the few pennics they can earn knithing socks for the soldiers. A few of the well-to-do-people of the community—and there are only a few who are well-to-do-supply them with wool and pay them? Supply them with wool and pay them? It is pitifully little, but they are grate-lull for the change to make that sense. for the chance to make that much Mrs. Taliaffero hasn't been very well since her return from a motor trip, which she and Mr. Taliaffero took this summer through Virginia, but whe she gets better she is hoping to ar-range an informal subscription card party among her friends for the benefit of the Scotch women and children about her friend's home. It is a good cause, truly, and I hope will meet with much success, for somehow their plight has gone home to me as larger tragedies do

not.

Do you know I think we have cause to feel proud of the part the women are playing in this horror. I am told that throughout England women of means are taking positions as and position are taking positions as clerks, as secretaries, driving street cars even, doing all sorts of men's work, ars even, doing all sorts of men's work, a short; and turning their salaries over the families of the men whose positions they are filling, that they may join the army feeling that their wives and children are not destitute and condemn-ed to be a burden on the community. Our sex does come up to the scratch when there is any real work for us, doesn't it—even if we do indulge in peace parades and such once in a while?

I was talking the other day to a prominent clergyman, who is just back from England, and he told me that in spite of the way the English have buckled down to work—or perhaps because of that very thing—there is no air of excitement. He says that New York is really more upset over the war than London, that the theaters there are cause of that very thing—there is no air of excitement. He says that New York is really more upset over the war than London, that the theaters there are still open and playing to good houses, and that people go about their business samely and calmly. The streets are full of territorials mobilizing, but they rouse no great enthusiasm. He also tells the story of stopping a newsboy, whose papers bore in enormous headlines "Great German Defeat," and asking him "Is there any real news in the paper," to which he replied, "Yes, sir, all about to large reading the letters over very carefully, returned them to the young man, admonishing him to keep them safe, "for some day, you know, you may want a pew in St. John's and those ought to come in handy." Hallie Gatewood has selected noon as the hour of her wedding, which will be on October 7, at home and very quiet. She will have no attendants. Helen Heyl's will be October 3, and Mary Edna Noyes' is set for October 21, at 8 o'clock. 'Is there any real news in the paper,"
to which he replied. "Yes, sir, all about

I met Mrs. Leigh Palmer, wife of Lieutenant Commander Palmer, downtown the other day and heard the most interesting account of her war-time ex-periences. She has just reached Washington after a thrilling trip, and maybe she isn't glad to be home again. She and her three children, all mere bables, went abroad early in the spring; Mrs. Palmer left the children with a nurse raimer left the children with a hurse and governess in France and went to England for a round of visits. While she was there the war broke out.

Mrs. Falmer was almost frantic. When she tried to get transportation to bring the children out of France she was told that it was impossible. It seemed for a long time that it would

seemed for a long time that it would be impossible for her to go into France to join them. Finally, after persuading the officials that it was absolutely necessary for her to get to her bables, and being the wife of an American naval officer, she was allowed to go. After she reached her family and gathanswer, and, just before entering American waters the vessel sighted an Enzlish ship, which was leading a captured day to take up his duties as counselor of seeighter to the nearest British port.

I suppose the usual crop of girls will now begin their usual Saturday pilgrinow begin their usual Saturday pilgrinops and football games. It is such a lear old town, it hardly needs the harm of brass buttons as a drawing ard but, of course, the combination is registible.

Mex. Charles, W. Miltopherser, and when the war broke out had in a considered the control of the princes the other day to take up his duties as counselor of the German embassy—he will stay there have a confidential mission for the Stilliman, the vice and deputy consul at Silliman, the vice and deputy consul at Silliman is at present on the fact of the German embassy—he will stay there he are dup her several trunks, suitcases, blub corriages, servants, and bubles, silliman, the vice and deputy consul at Silliman, the vice and deputy consul at Silliman is at present on the red up her several trunks auterates and bubles. Silliman is at present on the red up her several trunks auterate pheumonia pads and the like for the use of the healthy young soldiers then passing by the door. She spoke of the way in which all class distinctions have been leveled abroad by the troublous times, and said that all sorts and conditions of people work side by side, that every one is sociably inclined, and that people all talk to one another on

It is a barren coast, crops are few and scant; indeed, the whole depending try they went directly to Newport to ence of the community is on the heritage tighteries, and they have gone comduty there. Mrs. Palmer said that a

first she could not understand low on earth the women up there could be so Kay and brilliant!, clad, with so much Krief aid trouble abroad.

Mrs. Palmer seems none the worse for all the worry and excitement of her trip and it certainly has not marred her beauty. I never saw ner look prettier, and she says the babies are perfectly well and rather enjoyed their harrowing experiences.

There is hardly any one sporting new fall duds who looks better than the the men have gone to the front, and deep-sea fishing is not in occupation than can be turned over to the women folk.

The women and children are aimost starving, their onl, support being the starving, their onl, support being the neip that the gentry of the country and the few pending are gone with the Vice president. He and Mrs. Marshall week, but just before the left I saw them go by in the machine, and he was wearing a most becoming new gray felt motor hat. One Sunday afternoon I was visiting friends in the little town of Derwood and saw the Marshalls big handsome red car go by with the Vice Vice President. He and Mrs. Marshall

the business of marrying and giving in marriage seems to be progressing nerrily, as of yore, and the early aucmn crop here is particularly inter-esting. Historic old St. John's Church is to be the scene of no less than three most notable weddings within the next six weeks, for there Martha Bowers will become the bride of young 'Bob' Taft, on October 17: "Tom" Rowers and Louise Hellen will be married a trifle later, and, on November 3, the wedding of pretty Mary McCauley and Licutenant Howard

wenber 2, the wedding of pretty Mary McCauley and Licutenant Howard will take piace.

The Taft family is expected to come to Washington for the great event, and their friends in the Capital are already planning to make their visit, a memorable one. It will be Mrs. Taft's first return to Washington since she left the White House, though Helen Taft has been here several times, and the former President has made occasional business trips.

Mrs. Taft and Helen were both members of St. John's Church when they lived here; the Bowers the Hellens, and the McCauleys all helong to the parish, so it is natural that these weeddings should be scheduled to take place within its sacred and aristocratic portals. Washington folk love to tell the story of the young man who, wanting a certain Government position, fortified himself with all sorts of letters from our best people and approached President Lincoln. Lincoln, after reading the letters over very carefully, returned them to the

na Noyes is set to detect the date for her marriage to Thomas Blagden, Jr., but it probably will be some time in December. She is still in the Adirondacks, but is expected home the middle of October.

Macraret Britton and Lella Harrison

back again to the stationer's—and then all over again. This business of get-ting married is surely engrossing. We Ill over again. This business of geting married is surely engrossing. We
ar across Mrs. William Schley Howard
the morning doing some early shopping.
The is running the snapplest little elecric these days and looked particularry well in a pearl gray faille suit, with
rather large hat trimmed in flowers.

Did you know that the John W. Fields
know, when he was captain of Yale
football team some years ago, and was
among the most popular of the Washington boys. He married Miss Warner
of Bridgeport. Conn., and they have
been living there ever since. rar across Mrs. William Schley Howard one morning doing some early shopping. She is running the snapplest little electric these days and looked particular-

I had a little chat with Mrs. Gore the other night, looking so pretty, the other day but lately returned from first time I have laid eyes on her since Mrs. Swanson has guests with her

hese days, her sister, Mrs. Hall, and her cousin, Miss Deane, of Richmond. They seem to spend most of their time motoring, and Mrs. Swanson says she finds it pleasanter than any other form of amusement. Wednesday they motored to Baltimore, stopping en route to Baltimore, stopping en route to Baltimore, stopping en route to go to Bort Monroe for a look around the shops—you should hear Mrs. Swanson on the autumn styles with the navy aviators, who were testing the fiver, but it was postponed twice her cousin, Miss Deane, of Richmond.



Mrs. Percy Quin tells me that she has been in town all summer, but has rather enjoyed herself in an informal way. She says she has had a stream of company, and has spent most of her time sight-seeing. Her attractive niece, Margaret Feltus, who was with her last winter, came North again for a house party on Long Island, stopped over for some weeks with Mrs. Quin, and went home only the other day. The Quins are to move October 1, having leased a house in Billimore street for the winter. After they are settled, Mrs. Quin says she hopes to go home to Natchez, Miss., for a visit, if she can persuade herself to leave Mr. Quin that long.

Mrs. Shriver, Charles C. Glover' aunt, you remember, celebrated her ninetieth birthday the other day, and had more attentions showered on her than any debutante I know. She is a Margaret Britton and Lella Harrison are two attractive Washington girls. Whose weddings to Carrol Robertson and Llout. Geoffrey Keyes, respectively, are scheduled for some time this fall. I have not yet been able to learn anything about their plans, nor even if the dates are set.

Mary Edna and I have been trotting about lately from florist to caterer and lack again to the stationer's—and then

Did you know that the John W. Fields

her other day but lately returned from her summer in chiahoma and looking so pretty. She is very much lickled over the way the Senator came out in his primaries. He made 58,000 majority running against Judge Samuel Hayes, chief justice of the supreme court of Oklahoma, and carried every county in the State. He will return to Oklahoma son girls, with their father and mother; ter, to me, is that they are so absolutely unconscious. In another box were Congressman and Mrs. Gerry, returned to Washington for a few days, and Mr. and Mrs. Murray Cobb.

-and came home in time for dinner. On ing the fiver, but it was postponed twice the way back, they stopped again in the for one reason or another; then the war woods for tea, just about sun down, and broke out, and the aeroplane was picked Mrs. Swanson says never, even on the up hodily, placed aboard the North

SAILED FROM GENOA

Carolina, the rollef ship, and sent to
Europe. Lieutenant Herbster, who acted
as pilot for the new craft, went along
in attendance, but has since been attached as an extra naval aid to the embassy in one of the warring countries.

Mrs. Barnett blew into town for few days last week, but has gone back to Wirfeld to stay until the middle of October: at least, she will make her country place her headquarters, but will doubtless run up to town off and on for short visits. She and the general are planning a trip to Massachusetts for Katherine Weeks' wedding, which is scheduled for next Saturday.

War Cripples Industry in Germany and Substitute Is

I've lingered so long over your letter I've lingered so long over your letter, Susan, my friend, that I've neglected my lunch and am late for an engagement. I needs must hasten on my way, snatch a sandwich en route, and try to think up a "good one" to help me make my peace. Please don't get the idea that because you are coming down soon you can neglect to write me. There is a good month yet before the 30th of October; a week is too long to wait for your letters—and, hesides, I'm keen to hear all about the new suitor. Maybe he'll decide to come to Washington when you do and let me look him over. Don't go getting yourself engaged, miss, without my consent.

Yours ever fondly,

JEAN ELIOT.

## HOLES IN TIN CANS HELP STOP MALARIA

Public Health Service Urges Elimination of Mosquito Breeding Places.

Punch holes in the bottom of tin

Punch holes in the bottom of ting cans and prevent malaria: This is only one of several suggestions for the destruction of mosquito breeding places contained in an article on "Mosquitoes and Malaria" in a recent report issued by the United States Public Health Service.

Mosquitoes are the only known agents in the transmission of malaria. The author of the article states that in a recent sanitary inspection of a certain section of North Carolina, mosquito a service on trash heaps, and in which rain water had collected. What a simple health measure it would have been for the person who opened and amptied the can to punch a hole or two in its bottom with the can opener then and there!

But the larvae were also found in other places. The buckets that had contained paint, glass bottles, kezs barrels, water-tight boxes, and in the case and old iron safe, door side up—all were furnishing their quota of mosquitoes to add to the prevailing sickness. In two small towns countless "wiggletails" were found in one hoats, that had been drawn up on shore and contained water from recent rains or small leaks. In another place a baby's bathtub, sitting partially filled with water, was breeding numerous mosquitoes. Several fire-buckets and fire barrels in a lumber-yard were attending out thousands more. There are other and larger problems involved in the destruction of mosquitoes in contained water from the call arger problems involved in the destruction of mosquitoes in Germany—these are serious considerations in undertaking to estately one that it would be impossible to maintain the supply if vegetable dyes alone were used. They are difficult wilds of South and Central America, and the barks, berries, and other vegetable water from recent rains or small leaks. In two of the coal tar dyes.

Much Apprehension Felt.

The possibility of a famine in coloring substances is arousing so much appreyad the charge of Chemists. The contained as the proper of a substances in polyment in the call targer problems involved in the destruction of

cap. She goes into the water only after dark, and has so far succeeded in keep-ing her identity a profound secret. For three nights the tightly clad figure has been seen to enter the surf, and she is an expert swimmer, going far out be-

an expert swimmer, going far out beyond the breakers.

While walking along the cliffs shortly
after dusk she was seen by several
stone carvers who are here in connection with the building of Mrs. George
D. Widener's new villa, and two of the
men fearing that she might need some assistance hastily procured their bath ing suits and swam out to meet her. She fled, however, easily beating them to the shore, and disappeared in an au-tomobile, which was awaiting her.

Sought Here.

That the war is working havoe in the dyestuft industry and that there looms before the American public the prospect of garbing itself in the sober hues of the Puritans or even in uncolored fabrics of white, is the opinion of men well posted on the dyestuff industry.

Most of the dyes used today are made Most of the dyes used today are made from the coal tar products, while the old herb and vegriable decoctions have sunk far into the background of commercial popularity. The coal tar dyes are stronger in color, capable of much greater variety of shade, and more practical for molern uses because they can be produced in much greater quantity than the natural dyes.

The natural dyes are for the most part procured by the natives of South America and Asia from the barks of trees, from berries, and from the cochineal.

chineal.

This is the way the figures of 1914 on dye imports tell the story. Of a total of \$7,261,406 for coal tar distillates, \$5,965,537 came from Germany. A meager \$550,407 went for the decoctions and extracts for dyeing and tanning from Chile, Uruguay, Argentina and Dart.

Values For Year.

For the year ended June 20, 1912, the total value for coal tar colors was \$6,965,121, of which Germany had the ion's share. The total value of extracts and decoctions for dyeing was \$2,329,036.

numerous mosquitoes. Several firebuckets and fire barrels in a lumberyard were hatching out thousands more.

There are other and larger problems
involved in the destruction of mosquitoes, such as the drainage of swamps
and marshes, but the efficacy of these
measures, which oftan are coatly, is
greatly reduced if persons confinue to
furnish breeding places for mosquitoes
at the very doorwa; of their homes.

Woman Bather in Green

Tights Puzzles Newport

NEWPORT, R. L. Sept. 20.—Residents
near Raileys Beach have been much
concerned of late because of a mysterious woman bather who, disdaining to
use the conventional garb of a woman's

Changes at Annapolis.

Academy at Annapolis has been authorized by the Navy Department o make changes in the military orauthorized by the Navy Department to make changes in the military organization at the Academy. Hereafter it will be known as a regiment and will consist of four battalions, each with four companies. Officers will be changed around about every two months so that all may have an opportunity of serving in the different



### ANNOUNCEMENT

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